GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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AGRICULTURAL IRRIGATED/UNIRRIGATED LAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total areas of agricultural irrigated land, non-irrigated land and waste land in the country as on date, State-wise;

(b) the Ninth Plan target fixed to complete irrigation in the non-irrigation zone and the extent to which it has been achieved so far; and

(c) the area of available waste land utilised for effective use of agriculture or for any other activities during each of the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a): The statement indicating State-wise agricultural irrigated land, non-irrigated land and waste land in the country is annexed.

(b): The target of creation and utilization of irrigation potential during the Ninth Five Year Plan and their achievements are:-

(Area in Million hectares)

Activities	9th Plan Target	Achievement up to 1999-2000
Creation of Irrigation Potential	17.05	5.17
Utilisation of Irrigation Potential	13.64	3.94

(c): For controlling of degraded lands, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture isimplementing Watershed Management Schemes namely,

i) National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Agriculture,
ii) Soil Conservation for Enhancing Productivity of Degraded Lands in the catchments ofRiver Valley Project & Flood Prone Rivers (RVP & FPR),
iii) Watershed Development Project for Control of Shifting Cultivation
iv) Reclamation of Alkali Soil.

Under these Schemes all types of lands viz. agriculture, forest and waste lands are treated with suitable soil & water conservation measures. Under the above schemes 9.62 lakh ha., 9.86 lakh ha. & 8.06 lakh ha. areas have been treated during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 & 2000- 2001 respectively including wastelands. The evaluation studies conducted by External Agencies have shown that these Watershed Management Schemes have helped in enhancing the cropped area and agricultural productivity besides providing supplementary irrigation in the watershed areas.

ANNEXURE

STATEWISE AGRICULTURAL IRRIGATED LAND, NON-IRRIGATED LAND AND WASTELAND

(Area in thousand ha.)

S.No.	States	Agricultural	Non-irr-	Wasteland

	Irrigated land	igated land	
1	Andhra Pradesh	4395	6439 5175
2	Arunachal Prad	36	149 1833
3	Assam	572	2172 2002
4	Bihar	3624	3713 2100
5	Goa	23	116 61
6	Gujarat	3042	6558 4302
7	Haryana	2755	860 373
8	Himachal Prad	105	453 3166
9	Jammu & Kashmir	313	420 6544
10	Karnataka	2325	8285 2084
11	Kerala	357	1912 145
12	Madhya Pradesh	6399	13395 6971
13	Maharashtra	2567	15309 5349
14	Manipur	65	75 1295
15	Meghalaya	45	171 990
16	Mizoram	7	102 407
17	Nagaland	62	163 840
18	Orissa	2090	3878 2134
19	Punjab	3847	292 223
20	Rajasthan	5588	11202 10564
21	Sikkim	16	79 357
22	Tamil Nadu	2892	2594 128
23	Tripura	35	242 2301
24	Uttar Pradesh	11999	5476 3877
25	West Bengal	1911	3552 572
26	A&N Island	0	38 28
27	Chandigarh	2	0 0
28	D&N Haveli	4	19 7
29	Daman & Diu	1	3 4
30	Delhi	44	3 14
31	Lakshadweep	0	3 0
32	Pondicherry	22	3 4
	All India	55143	87676 63850